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Teaneck to Newark marchers still seek justice

by Eugene Osayande

TEANECK — Over 45 demonstrators marched from Teaneck to Newark on Friday April 3 to call for the federal prosecution of Teaneck Police officer Gary Spah in the shooting death of Phillip C. Fannell, a 16-year-old African American youth.

The majority of the marchers were college students from William Paterson College, Fairleigh Dickinson University, NJIT, and Rutgers University.

The day started at approximately 10:30 a.m. with the demonstrators holding hands around a tree planted in Fannell's memory in Tryon Park. Thelma Fannell,

Phillip's mother, thanked the students for the support and stated that she was tired of the injustice. Charles Webster, member of the African Council, addressed the students and the media. He spoke about the significance of the march and why people must not give up the fight for justice in America. He inspired the marchers as they were minutes away from their five-hour journey.

It was a rather chilly morning as they began to march down Intervale Road, where Webster pointed out the backyard where Phillip was caught and gunned down, which is enclosed by a six-foot fence. He turned and pointed to children playing in a school yard and said, "Let us not forget why we are marching —" (continued on page 3)

Muhammad Ali honored by Boys' and Girls' Clubs

NEWARK — Former Heavyweight Boxing Champion, Muhammad Ali was presented with the Brightest Star Award on April 14 by the Boys' and Girls' Clubs of Newark during their Fourth Annual Evening of the Stars dinner.

Also on hand were Marian Wright Edelman, president and founder of the Children's Defense

Fund, and Jerry Izenberg, president of Project Pride. Newark Mayor Sharpe James served as the dinner chairman.

Co-Chaired by Calvin West and Charles Rubin, the program was dedicated to the memory of Calvin West's wife, Rita, who unexpectedly passed away on March 12 of this year.

NHA resident evicted for "harboring" drug operation

NEWARK — The Housing Authority of Newark (NHA) recently announced that a resident of the John Hyatt Court has been evicted because of "harboring" a person who was selling drugs from her apartment.

The resident, who had an apartment at 1 Roanoke Court, Building #7, moved out minutes before the final eviction occurred a few weeks ago.

New Executive director Harold Lucas said that this "harboring" eviction is a Newark Housing Authority first and it will send the proper signal to tenants that the NHA will not tolerate drug sales or use of any kind at the complexes. According to Hyatt Court Manager Stephen P. Teemer, undercover

narcotics agents had made two separate purchases of drugs from the apartment during 1991. The resident and her son were finally arrested for selling drugs on September 23, 1991.

"This case is extremely significant because many tenants feel that as long as they're not the ones selling drugs in the apartment, it's okay. This eviction makes it clear that if you're harboring someone who's selling drugs — we have grounds for eviction," Teemer said.

During a March 9, 1992 appearance before Superior Court Judge Mahlon L. Fast, the court ruled that the NHA had sufficient proof that a drug operation had been running from the apartment and that the tenant should be evicted.

East Orange resident arrested in city murder spree

by Stacey Peterson

NEWARK — A 25-year-old East Orange resident has been arrested April 12 and later charged with five counts of knowing and purposeful murder in a case where several women have been discovered dead over

the past eight months and fear abounds in the Essex County city. Surrounded by members of the Multi-Agency Law Enforcement Task Force, Acting Essex County Prosecutor Peter J. Francese announced during a press conference April 13 that Jerome Dennis of 254 North Walnut Street, is suspected of

murdering five African American women; four in East Orange and one in Newark. He is also charged with two counts of attempted murder and aggravated assault.

Dennis is suspected of killing East Orange residents: Jamillah Jones, 16, of Beek Street, Elizabeth, and a 16-year-old African American youth.

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East Orange Mayor Carroll Cooper, Police Chief Harry Herman and Acting Essex County Prosecutor Peter J. Francese at the press conference where Jerome Dennis was announced a suspect in the East Orange murders.

Photo by Dan Frisco

Yes raps with Yo

Students from the Plainfield Public Schools got to see first hand how the number one MTV music video program is produced when they participated in a taping of Yo! MTV Raps.

Yo! hosts, Dr. Dre and Ed Lover, dedicated almost a week of programs to the youth magazine YES—Youth Excited about Success. Afterwards, they told YES about the importance of education and hard work. Their interview will appear in the September issue of YES Magazine.

Coming up in the summer issue of YES, Fresh Prince and DJ Jazzy Jeff tell students what's happening this summer. YES also carries exclusive interviews with Olympic Gold Medalist and World figure skating champion, Kristi Yamaguchi, and Darryl Bell of



Plainfield students representing YES Magazine at Yo! MTV Raps are (left to right) Jeremiah Johnson, YES staff writer, Melanie Clary, Gentry Van Blaw, Braden Rodgers, Natasha Clary and Henry "CJ" Johnson

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■ **Free Copies of TRW Records:** TRW announced that it would provide individuals with free annual copies of their records. TRW is one of three major credit bureaus. TRW acknowledges that the records are riddled with inaccuracies, and providing consumers a copy of their records is a start to correcting the problem. Trans-Union and Equifax are yet to follow suit. — WASHINGTON

■ **Union Gets Video Road Signs:** The Union County Traffic Bureau has implemented an Integrated Video-Microcomputer Inventory System, the first in the country which allows in-depth visually obtained analysis of the performance of road elements without leaving the office. Test results have shown a 75 percent decrease in auto accidents with use of the system. — UNION COUNTY

Community college students rally in Trenton for affordable education

TRENTON — Over 500 college students, representing 19 community colleges throughout the state, rallied at the State House on April 6, in support of affordable education and increased state funding for community colleges.

Kicking off a series of month-long events during April, which is National community College Month, "Community College Awareness Day" enabled students to visit with their local legislators

and discuss current higher education issues that are now being deliberated before both houses of the Legislature.

"We are here today to ask our legislators to keep our dream alive by supporting the Tuition Stabilization Incentive Program, by providing more funding to community colleges, and by removing the county cap that restricts counties from appropriating what they want to the community colleges," said Dermott

Daly, a student from Union County College.

Gene Batcho, a 37-year-old student at Salem Community College and a Vietnam veteran, praised the community college system for providing opportunities to the "least privileged."

"I didn't have too many choices. The community college was created so that the working class could have a chance to achieve a higher

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Leon Sullivan announces \$40 million package to help Africa

WASHINGTON, DC (CNS) — Reverend Dr. Leon H. Sullivan returned to the Nation's Capital to unveil and announce a four-year, \$40 million program to help improve the quality of life in Africa.

In the historic Caucus Room of the Russell Senate Office Building and in a ceremony attended by members of the US Congress, an exceptionally large number of African ambassadors, corporate officials, and other leaders, Rev. Sullivan announced a \$15 million agreement with the US Agency for International Development (AID) to help expand the work in Africa of his newest organization, the International Foundation for Education and Self-Help (IFESH).

"Last year, we announced Phase I of our Debt for Development Program in Africa for \$2 million that was initiated in Nigeria, Guinea, and Niger. Today, we announce Phase II of Debt for Development, an exciting new Teachers for Africa program and an interesting Short Term Training Program for African Bankers," Rev. Sullivan said. He indicated that a portion of

the \$15 million grant will be used to purchase debt for human resource development and that IFESH will augment the grant through non-federal

funds for a total of \$40 million which is expected to benefit up to four million grassroots people.

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Rev. Leon H. Sullivan (center) participated in a Capital Hill signing ceremony for a \$15 million grant from the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID). Joining him in the ceremony were (from left) Assistant Secretary for Africa, Herman Cohen; Rep. Donald Payne (D-NJ) a member of the House Subcommittee on Africa; AID Administrator Ronald S. Harp; Hon. Henry Hyde (D-IL) chairman of the House Subcommittee on Africa. Standing in the rear are (from left): Dr. C.T. Wright, executive director, the International Foundation for Education and Self-Help; Assistant Administrator of AID Scott M. Springer; and His Excellency Paul Pondi, Ambassador of Cameroon and Dean of the African Diplomatic Corps.

NNPA president cites a smack of racism on USAir flight

GREENSBORO, NC — Robert Bogle, president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) was recently given the Rosa Parks treatment on a recent USAir flight from North Carolina to Philadelphia.

He explained that after being seated and carrying a boarding pass that clearly indicated he was in the correct seat, a flight attendant approached him and asked him to re-

linquish his seat to a white passenger. Bogle said that the plane was only two-thirds full, but the flight attendant insisted that he give up his seat.

"I felt like Rosa Parks in 1955," Bogle said in a recent letter to other members of the NNPA.

During the incident, Bogle asked to speak to someone in authority and a gate agent boarded the plane stating that the airline's board-

ing passes only guaranteed space on the flight, not specific seat assignments.

He then questioned if the rule applied to everyone since he was already seated. He asked why couldn't the other person be given another seat. In his letter, he said he agreed to move to avoid creating a scene and because he knew the situation would not be resolved that way. (continued on page 3)

Roger Gilman honored by Plainfield church

PATH, the initial planning of the World Trade Center, and numerous other mass transit developments. His Port Authority career spanned 40 years.

Roger Gilman became a member of the Board of Governors of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in 1964. Among his many honors and accomplishments, Gilman, as board chairman, was instrumental in establishing and signing the affiliate relationship between the Plainfield Neighborhood Health Center and Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center. In an effort to bring together the resources of each to enhance the community, the proceeds from this concert will go to the maternal and child healthcare programs at the Plainfield Neighborhood Health Center. The Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church will host the tribute to Gilman at 8:15 p.m.

PLAINFIELD — Plainfield's longtime friend, supporter, and community leader, Roger H. Gilman will be honored by the Good Friday Benefit Concert of the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church during their 20th anniversary on April 17.

Gilman, who has a list of credits a mile long, has served in several capacities over the years to develop his hometown as well as the greater New York metropolitan community in his capacity as a traffic engineer.

In his role as Acting Executive Director of the Port Authority of New York-New Jersey, he was instrumental in the expansion of the Lincoln Tunnel, the lower level of the George Washington Bridge, the Verrazano Narrows Bridge, Port Authority acquisition of the old H&M which is now known as the

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Gerald Holloway named ECC Employee of the Month

NEWARK — Gerald Holloway of Newark recently received the Essex County College Employee of the Month Excellence Award. He has been employed at the college for eight years and is currently the Supervisor of Student Center Operations.

"Mr. Holloway has exhibited outstanding commitment to developing student talent during the past semester," said Christopher Cottle, Assistant Dean of Student Life. "His contributions include coordinating the ECC Apollo Night and student production of WIZZIN. In addition, he continually encourages and involves students in every aspect of his operation."

Role models needed for Girl Scout mentoring program

EAST BRUNSWICK — The Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council is developing a mentoring program that allows professionals to share their skills and experiences with young girls on a short-term basis.

Positive role models have always been utilized in leadership roles for Girl Scouts. In mentoring programs, young women can invite women in distinct professions to visit their troop and share their talents and experiences with them. This serves as a preparation for their future when the girls will need to decide what career path they want to follow.

Volunteers simply complete a

questionnaire, their name is added to a directory that is distributed to the troops, and she will be invited to various meetings. Professionals can select the level of participation that best fits their schedule — on once a week or once a year.

In a mentoring program, girls are in contact with women in leadership and management roles where it is the norm, not the exception, to see female leaders. Girls will learn that they can break out of "traditional" female careers, and they can readily enter into math, science, and technology fields.

For further information contact Mary Hirsch at 908-821-9090.

People on the Move...

David Gibson of South Orange has been appointed dean of the UMDNJ-School of Health Related Professions... Karan Drake, of Plainfield, a freshman of Morrisown-Beard School, was named to the school's Honor Roll... Shelton Feinberg, William Freyd, James Lazarus, Willard D. Mielton, and Alfred Partell, were named to the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra... Frank Turto was named outstanding volunteer of the year by the United Cerebral Palsy Association of Hudson County... Thomas Ullrich has been chosen by the United Cerebral Palsy Association of North Jersey as their outstanding volunteer of the year... The US Fullbright Commission announced that Dr. Robert A. Scott, President of Ramapo College, has been selected to serve as special advisor at a conference of Asian and Pacific Rim university leaders in Seoul, Korea... Edward Osofino of Linden, Jack Waltraut of Mercerville, and Arnold Meyer of Rutherford were appointed to the Electrical Engineering Technology Industrial Advisory Board of the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Institute of Technology... Abi Bhatt of Edison was awarded the Susan Panourak Scholarship at Union County College... Dr. Timmer McGroen of Plainfield has been selected to co-produce several radio programs for WNYC-FM in New York City... Richard Dowling of Morrisown has been named to the position of student assistance counselor at Union County College... Professors Barbara Foley and Howard Pomann of Westfield, have published a four-volume series called "Lifelines 1: Coping Skills in English... Dr. Joann La Porta of Cranford, and Union County College received the "Point of Excellence Award" from the Delta Xi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi... Patricia A. Gore has been appointed President of the Society for Happiness Foundation in Washington, DC... Lorette J. Kees of East Hanover has received certification in gerontological nursing.

Union County celebrates Women's History Month



Shown with Freeholder Ertl (c) are (l-r) Gopal Kaluri of India, graduate student in management systems analysis; Linda Grabson, Kent employee and part-time student from Elizabeth; Suzanne Bellini, a teacher in accounting from Elizabeth; and Marlene Jackson of Newark, a college employee.

UNION — Freeholder Elmer M. Ertl was recently joined by students and staff to kick-off the annual celebration of Women's History Month at Keen College's Thompson Library.

The observance was co-sponsored by the College and the Keen College Women's Professional Association.

The annual celebration is held to heighten awareness of the contributions women have made in history.

Sets of bookmarks depicting the contributions made by eight American women are available at part of the observance.

Suspect fingered in East Orange murders

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both Charles J. Crawford Street, Stephanie Alston, 30, of North Arlington Avenue, Robyn Carter, 41, of North Arlington Avenue, and an unidentified African American woman. Three were found April 10, one April 11, and another in December of 1991 in Newark with cause of death ranging from multiple stab wounds and blunt force trauma to the head.

The attempted murder charges involve Khadijah Harris, 23, of East Orange, on February 22 of this year and Zeldia Bailey, 26, also of East Orange, on December 12, 1991. Dennis was charged regarding the deaths of Denise Gaskins, 30, or Maria Ferguson, 27, who were found in

an abandoned building at 31-33 Washington Street. The women are also of East Orange.

Francis refused to comment on Dennis' potential motive, background, arrest record, or if Dennis had made a statement at the time of his arrest. The only description he gave was that the Dennis is an African American male. He also refused to comment on just what factors led the police to charge Dennis.

Francis did continually praise the Task Force, "whose tireless efforts developed information leading swiftly to the identification, apprehension, and charging of Jerome Dennis."

He said that the Task Force, made up of area law enforcement officials including Newark Police

Director William Celester, Wenter Roper, chief of New Jersey Transit Police, Col. Justin Dintoro, superintendent of the New Jersey State Police, Norman Menz, assistant Essex County prosecutor and director of the Prosecutor's Homicide Squad, East Orange Police Chief Harry Harmon, East Orange Mayor Cardell Cordero, Essex County Sheriff Armando Fontana, Louis Creswell, chief of investigations for Essex County prosecutor's office, and Lt. Col. Fred Marone of the New Jersey State Police.

The group was put together during the early morning of April 11 to intensively investigate the incidents. Francis said that their investigation will continue until

Coping

by
Dr. Charles W. Faulker

Should men wash the dishes?

Dear Dr. Faulker:

I am engaged to a wonderful man. I have a job, but he lost his job shortly after we became engaged. I work five days a week and go to school three nights a week, so when I get home I am usually too tired to cook and clean the house. I do it, however, when I can. My fiance lives with me and helps with some things that need to be done. Every once-in-a-while, he will fix dinner, wash the dishes and clean the house, usually when I ask him to. Most of the time, I have to come home after a tiring day, and do these things myself. The problem is that he just will not do these things voluntarily. I do love him, but I am beginning to feel depressed and unhappy from having to rush home, very tired, and worry about preparing meals and cleaning the house. I feel that my fiance should do these chores, at least until I finish school in another year. He spends his days looking for a job or doing other things. How can I resolve this issue without harming our relationship?

Signed, Ms. T.,
San Diego, CA

Dear Ms. T.:

Your problem has been common for many years. The issue of men sharing tasks, that have traditionally been handled by women is heating up again. It essentially disappeared after the issue of feminism led the front page. Now that men are losing their jobs, while their female partners retain theirs, the issue is prominent, once again.

If your fiance has adopted the view that cooking, cleaning and washing are "female tasks," you might have a difficult job convincing him to adopt a different perception. It would be similar to him asking you to paint the fence, mow the lawn or repair the car.

Of course, every problem can be solved if both parties truly want to resolve them and are prepared to compromise. With that in mind, you might sit down with him, and calmly and logically describe the situation. Tell him that you can both share the chores (you cook and clean on the weekends. He does it during the week, when you are working, studying, and going to school). He will see that this new schedule is just for the short-term, and that you are going to school to get a better job in order to improve the lives of both of you. Tell him that you are usually extremely tired and that you are not able to perform all of these tasks to the best of your ability.

What should you do if he refuses to do more? You must decide if you can endure this torment now and for years of marriage. Perhaps you can learn from his response. If he refuses to cooperate now, he will probably do so after marriage in similar situations. Can you live with it? If so, go to the end and do your best. If not, is this the person you want to marry? He is the product of a male-dominated society. You cannot win this one by arguing because it is almost impossible to change someone else's behavior — and unlikely to try.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

JERSEY CITY — "Batteries Not Included" will be shown at 1 p.m. at the Five Corners Branch of the Jersey City Public Library. For more information call 201-547-4524.

WESTFIELD — F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge), will meet at 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield YMCA, 220 Clark Street. For more information call 908-922-5787.

PLAINFIELD — Women for Women of Union County will sponsor a monthly "Night Out," for women at 8:30 p.m. For more information call 908-221-5787.

JERSEY CITY — The Opportunity Scholarship Program of Jersey City State College will recognize 55 honor students at its campus ceremony from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Round Table Room of the Michael Grijalva Student Union Building.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

PLAINFIELD — Part two of "Rabbit Hit" will be shown at the Plainfield Public Library at 4 p.m. For more information call 908-771-1111. Also, the Library Board of Trustees will meet at 7 p.m.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Board of Education will hold a Board City State College meeting at Dunn & Spots on Park Avenue at 7 p.m.

SUNDAY, APRIL 18

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Jaycees will hold their annual Easter Egg Hunt at 8 p.m. at Cedarbrook Park. The rain date is Saturday, April 25.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Public Library will hold a phone book recycling drive from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more information call 908-771-1111.

TRENTON — Great mammals of the Ice Age will be on display through September 5 at the New Jersey State Museum. For more information call 609-925-6454.

MONDAY, APRIL 20

IRVINGTON — The Irvington Department of Parks and Recreation and Mayor Michael S. Torres will present the first Annual Junior Varsity Basketball Tournament in the Irvington High School Gym from 6 to 10 p.m. For more information call 201-309-9393.

PLAINFIELD — A slide program on the disposal of household hazardous waste will take place at the Plainfield Senior Citizens Center at 12:30 p.m. For further information call 908-753-5506.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

WEST ORANGE — The Bennington Popets will perform at the Maurice Levin Theater of the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan New Jersey with a performance of "The First Wives Club" at 8 p.m. For more information call 973-320-2242.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Board of Education will meet at 6:30 p.m. at the

Plainfield High School Library for an Executive Session.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Senior Citizens will attend the Newark Museum at 11 a.m. for an African Design Exhibit. For more information call 908-753-5506.

NEWARK — "The City of Dreams," will be held at the Essex County College at 11 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m. through to April 25. For more information call 201-877-4420.

JERSEY CITY — "Airplane!" will be shown at 1 p.m. at the Five Corners Branch of Jersey City Public Library. For more information call 201-547-4524.

CRANFORD — Union County College will host "The World Game," a multi-media program aimed at providing a new way to look at the interrelated nature of humanity's problems from 1 to 5:30 p.m. For more information call 908-709-7034.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Senior Citizens Center will feature a bus trip at 8 a.m. to the Grosvenor Casino in Atlantic City. For more information call 908-753-5506.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

NEW BRUNSWICK — Lucy by Jamaica will be discussed at the New Jersey Literature Club of New Brunswick at 7 p.m. at the New Brunswick Free Public Library on Livingston Avenue. For more information call 908-220-1994.

JERSEY CITY — A two-part workshop on "Math for the National Teacher Exam" will be conducted at Jersey City State College. Part two will take place on April 30. For more information call 201-500-8094.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Senior Citizens Center will offer a trip to the television studio of "9 Breakfast Plaza" at 4 p.m. For more information call 908-753-5506.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

PLAINFIELD — A six-session weight loss program will be offered on Fridays and Saturdays at the Diabetes Center, 1257 Marion Avenue. The Friday sessions will end on June 5 and be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. The Saturday sessions will end on June 6 and be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. For more information call 908-666-2575.

ABSECON — A family community leadership training institute will be held through the end of the Madison County on the disposal of household hazardous waste will take place at the Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge. For more information call 908-654-8554.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

LANCASTERSVILLE — The Shed Festival will be held through to April 26 in a celebration of Shed swimming up the Delaware River. The festival sessions will end on June 6 and be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. For more information call 609-397-9055.

MADISON — A West African Day Festival will take place at the Madison County on the disposal of household hazardous waste will take place at the Howard Johnson's Motor Lodge. For more information call 908-654-8554.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Public Library will hold a phone book recycling drive from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. For more information call 908-771-1111.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

JERSEY CITY — The group, Dove Gathering of the Arts will present "An Educational Approach to Poetry Reading" at 2 p.m. at the Five Corners Branch of the Jersey City Public Library. For more information call 201-547-4524.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

PLAINFIELD — The Zora Neale Hurston Literary Society will meet at 3 p.m. at the Plainfield Public Library. For more information call 908-771-1111.

WEST LORAIN BRANCH — A student exhibition will be held at Morrie College and Rotary House Gallery through to May 8. For more information call 908-571-3475.

SUMMIT — Mariotti Figurative Sculpture, will be on display at the Palmer Gallery of the Jersey City Center for Visual Arts, 125 Elm Street through to June 6.

CRANFORD — The March of Dimes will host Walk America at Union County College. For more information call 201-682-0700.

TUESDAY, APRIL 28

JERSEY CITY — A workshop on "Mystery Mail" will take place at Jersey City State College. For more information call 201-200-3094.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Board of Education will meet at 7 p.m. in the conference room of Plainfield High School at 7 p.m.

BRIDGEWATER — The March of Dimes will host Walk America at Durland College. For more information call 201-682-0700.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29

JERSEY CITY — "A Fish Called Wanda," will be shown at 1 p.m. at the Five Corners Branch of the Jersey City Public Library. For more information call 201-547-4524.

PLAINFIELD — The Plainfield Board of Education will have their community relations committee meeting at 7 p.m. at Adrian's restaurant at East Second Street.

MONDAY, MAY 4

SOUTH ORANGE — Arnold Ranspers will address the Library of America Edition of Richard Wright's "Native Son" at 8 p.m. at Part 201 Hall University's Poetry-in-Read Series. For more information call 201-761-9398.

MAHWAH — Gentile Herndon — Women and the Holocaust, will be on display through to the 30th at the Art Gallery of Ramapo College. For more information call 201-329-7585.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

NEWARK — Our Global World — Latin American News, "Love in the Time of Cholera," will be the discussion topic at the Frances E.W. Harper Library Society of

the Newark Public Library from 7 to 9 p.m. For more information call 201-624-8930.

THURSDAY, MAY 7

NEW BRUNSWICK — The Street by Ann Partly will be the novel discussed by the Ministry Literature Club of New Brunswick at 7 p.m. at the New Brunswick Free Public Library on Livingston Avenue. For more information call 908-220-1994.

ELIZABETH — The New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Remembrance Day will be held at 11:15 a.m. at the Union County Courthouse on Broad Street.

MONDAY, MAY 25

SOMERVILLE — The Tour of Somerville, will continue major blue race in the country will be held. For more information call 908-725-0451.

FRIDAY, MAY 29

MADISON — An art exhibit featuring Beverly Buchanan's "Shacks," will be displayed through to June 26 at the Schering-Plough Headquarters Gallery.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

BELMAN — The sixth annual New Jersey Seafood Festival will be held through to June 20. For more information call 908-681-2900.

THURSDAY, JUNE 25

NEW BRUNSWICK — Amy Tan's "The Joy Luck Club" will be discussed by the Ministry Literature Club of New Brunswick at 7 p.m. at the New Brunswick Free Public Library on Livingston Avenue. For more information call 908-220-1994.

FRIDAY, JULY 17

READINGTON — The New Jersey Festival of Ballooning will be held at Readington through to June 18. The event features a balloon race, picnics, an auto show, other food and more. For more information call 908-236-6793.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

EAST RUTHERFORD — The Ham-bon-ton, the premier championship horse race, will take place at the Meadowlands Racetrack amidst pony rides, carnival games, live entertainment, and more. For more information call 201-925-8520.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

CHERRY HILL — The New Jersey State Fair will be held at Garden State Park through to August 16. For more information call 609-587-6300.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

OCEAN CITY — The Super Fishes Week, will take place at the Ocean City Marine Pier through to the 13. For more information call 1-800-BEACHNH.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

ATLANTIC CITY — The Miss America Pageant will be held at Convention Hall. For more information call 609-345-7571.

Mayor Brown, Jawanza Kunjufu featured at Orange Parenting Symposium

ORANGE — City of Orange Township had its own brand of green lighting on St. Patrick's Day as parents and residents over four hundred strong were treated to the lightning words of wisdom of two men dedicated to educating and empowering young people — Mayor Robert L. Brown and nationally renowned lecturer, Brown's co-author, Jawanza Kunjufu.

"Some people on the legislature have problems in traveling in our urban schools need to realize that there are a lot of concerned parents as exhibited here tonight who deserved the right kind of funding," stated Mayor Brown, who is also Assemblyman for the 27th State Legislative District.

The Parenting Symposium, Orange's first, was held by the Orange Board of Education in conjunction with the Superintendent's PTA/PTO Presidents Advisory Council at Orange High School's student cafeteria.

The presentations included, violinist Rashad Lloyd a student from Lincoln Avenue School, chore readings from elementary students representative of each school, the Orange Middle School Chorus, and an Opera solo by Orange High School senior Judith Le Temps first place winner of the State Opera competition.

Following the presentations, Dr. Maxine J. Pijoux, Orange Superintendent of Schools, presented the achievement award "Daring To Make The Difference For The City."

Young Child Week in East Orange

EAST ORANGE — East Orange Mayor Cardell Cooper was joined by sixty young East Orange residents, ages 2 1/2 through 5 years along with their day care/pre-school providers to kick off the city's observance of the "National Week of the Young Child," which took place during the week of April 6 to April 10.

The first ceremony included Mayor Cooper and student representatives from the East Orange Co-

zens and Students of Orange and District 27 to Mayor Brown. Dr. Pijoux, welcomed parents and provided the audience with the purpose of the workshop. She told the parents and other participants that the object of the evening's program was to provide them with answers and a forum to help them to address parental concerns that particularly face us as parents of the nineties.

Introduced by Leroy Webster, PTA President of Orange High School, Dr. Kunjufu provided a powerful outline for parents and their children.

Dr. Kunjufu has dedicated his professional career to improving the self-image and discipline of children. He is the author of eleven motivational books for black youth has appeared on several television talk programs and has published several articles in popular magazines. He is the co-author of an Afrocentric multicultural curriculum called SETCLAME and is also the producer of the film "Up Against the Wall."

"This is the first generation of African American youth who will not be smarter than their parents," he stated. "The average father spends seven minutes a day with his children and the average mother thirty-four minutes."

Dr. Kunjufu told parents about the importance of spending quality time with their children. Commenting that if they can't control both one hour, the most important time is dinner time. He reminded parents of the adverse effects of television like

the dulling of the senses; the possibility of serious eye and brain damage; influence of commercials and the information loss. Offering alternatives, he suggested that parents play a game called "Need/Wants" during commercials or when shopping. Ask the child if the item discussed is one of need or want. He also suggested the 1910 game. That is copy a piece of news as if it were 1910 prior to television sets as reading, using one's imagination to make up games, no television at the dinner table, engaging in conversation and debate over issues.

"The problem has never been with our children it has been with parents. If you can allocate one half hour with children and let them decide what they want to do with during that time. Listen to your children," stated Dr. Kunjufu.

He further declared that, "America doesn't have a drug problem it has moral problem — a self esteem problem — a discipline problem. Where are our children today — they are either in jail, dead, or out using what they sell."

In 1992, according to Dr. Kunjufu, the areas that hold the most important listen to their children (popularity), television, home, school, and church. Parents need to take time to get to know their children's friends, have their children check back with them, and most important listen to their children. This will enable their children in times of trouble to feel comfortable in coming to them for help and answers rather than going to the streets.

He assumed by everyone. I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the city's day care centers and pre-schools for being there everyday for all our children."

Following the brief ceremony, Mayor Cooper talked with the students at the East Orange Co-op Day Care Center and its Director, Mrs. Vera Whitney. All were treated to refreshments and balloons in the City Hall Rink.

rejuvenated when they saw the proud faces of black people cheering them on, shouting "No Justice, No Peace!" The marchers were following a torn and tattered American flag which symbolized to them that justice has become to young blacks who have lost faith in a system that holds them to a double standard.

When they arrived in front of the Peter Rodino Federal Building in Newark, the marchers sat and listened to two fellow student marchers address the crowd that had gathered around them. Charles Webster spoke about the trial that took place in Hackensack, addressing several issues.

Webster said that there was an all-white jury that did not represent the cultural diversity of Bergen County. Four of the jurors had family relations in law enforcement, the jury was allowed to go home every night — not "sequestered." Officer Wayne Blanco gave 3 contradictory statements to court officials, there was a forged evidence log, a public arrest was made of a key witness,

later to be proven totally unfounded and without merit, the interruption of a hero police officer during cross examination by the state of Officer Spath, the Medical Examiner "misidentified" the wound by 7 inches, the alleged gun was altered while in police custody.

Based on this evidence the marchers demanded the federal prosecution of Gary Spath. They had on hand 1000 signatures supporting their call. The mothers of Tasha Mayes and Santana Hannah, victims of police violence, were also in Newark to show their support.

After all was said and done, the student marchers left that day with a deeper understanding of what it means to be "Black in America." One girl said that it was the first time she was called a "nigger." As the students were leaving, they stated with conviction, "If justice will not come to us, then we will go to justice — whatever it takes — justice will be served."

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so that it won't happen to them." The 18.5 mile trek was filled with unpleasant reminders that racism is indeed alive and well in the heart of America. Students said throughout the day they were harassed and badgered by white youths, including an incident where a white came out of a liquor store in Rutgers yelling, "Go the hell back to Africa, or to Harlem and play basketball."

In Hasbrouck Heights, a man came out of a pizza parlor for a kick in the hand as the group passed by. As the demonstrators marched through Kearny, they came across a sign taped down on the sidewalk that read "Speth Rules." In Harrison they were greeted with racial slurs and gestures. Also, a group of white men tampered marchers as they rode around in a sports car playing on a loudspeaker, "KKKK rules and is here to stay."

As the marchers came into Newark, their bodies were weak and aching, but their spirits were

Students rally for affordable education

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Legislators from both sides of the aisle, in their comments to students from the State House steps, also addressed concerns about the future of New Jersey's ability to deliver quality, affordable education.

"Community colleges play an extremely important role in our higher educational system and continuing education fields. We must do our best to make sure that they are supported to be the best of the State's ability. We must make sure that we do not let our community colleges slowly wither on the vine," stated Senator John Ewing (R-Somerset), chairman of the Senate Education Committee.

Senator John H. Adler (D-Camden) added, "Community colleges are opening up doors of opportunities for thousands of our state citizens. With the help of all of you here today, we are going to unveil the 'secret' of community colleges and begin to get your colleges the attention they need and deserve in Trenton."

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Participating in the special signing ceremony were US Senators Arlen Specter (R-PA), who hosted the ceremony, Paul Simon (D-IL), Nancy Kassebaum (R-KA), and Claiborne Pell (D-RI) and Congressmen Mervyn Dymally (D-CA) and Donald Payne (D-NJ). Top officials from the US State Department who participated in the ceremony included Assistant Secretary for Africa Herman Cohen, AID Administrator Ronald Roskins, and Assistant Administrator of AID, Robert for Africa, Scott M. Spangler.

Also in attendance were more than 20 African ambassadors and a host of distinguished leaders and supporters of Africa from throughout the country, including a large delegation from Zion Baptist Church in Philadelphia of which Rev. Sullivan is the former pastor.

Presenting remarks on behalf of the African diplomatic corps and some of the countries participating

in the program were His Excellency Paul Pondi, ambassador of Cameroon and Dean of the African Diplomatic Corps; His Excellency Zuhair M. Kazare, Ambassador of Nigeria, representing the Chairman of the Organization of African Unity, and His Excellency Charles Gomis, Ambassador of Cote d'Ivoire and Chairman of the Planning Committee for the Second African-African American Summit, planned for 1993.

According to Dr. C.T. Wright, Executive Director of IFESH, the Teachers for African Program will be implemented in 12 countries, allowing teachers from the United States to spend a year helping their counterparts to improve the educational system in these countries.

The Short Term Training program for African Bankers will provide an opportunity for the "best and brightest" among middle level African bankers from up to 12 countries to come to the United States for executive training. Eight major banks participating in this program include

Chemical American Express, Bank of America, Chase Manhattan, Citibank, National Bank of Detroit, J.P. Morgan and Mellon.

Rev. Sullivan said he is "absolutely encouraged by the enthusiastic support we have received from American community and especially African Americans" for his recent initiatives to help Africa to become more economically self-sufficient.

In his closing remarks, Rev. Sullivan said, "We will be speaking out for Africa in America and in the world. Africa may have been alone before, but we want the world to know that Africa will never be alone again. We are joining hands across the Atlantic and we will be speaking out, especially for Africa because a stronger Africa will make a stronger America and a stronger Africa will make a stronger world."

For more information on the Teachers for Africa Program should contact Dr. C.T. Wright of IFESH at 1-800-835-3530.

1992 summer food service program

PLAINFIELD — The City of Plainfield Division of Recreation will be participating in the Summer Food Service Program from June 29 through August 26. The Summer Food Service Program is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture. This program provides the children 18 years of age and under with the same free meal in accordance with the menu approved by the state agency, regardless of race, color, national origin, sex, handicap, or age.

Any city organization interested in providing nutritious lunches and snacks as part of their food service program should call the Plainfield Division of Recreation Office at 938-753-3097. An Orientation Planning meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 26 at 9:30 a.m. at the City Hall Library located at the City Hall Building, 515 Watchung Avenue, Plainfield, NJ.

Suspect fingered

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The murder mysteries of Ms. Gaskins and Ms. Ferguson are solved.

Mayor Cooper echoed the words of Frances when he said that he is satisfied that the work of the Task Force has been thorough and efficient and that their around-the-clock work was prudent and quick for the safety of the area residents. Cooper added that the Governor's office is presenting East Orange with a grant for a community reassurance program.

Over the weekend, several East Orange residents looked to their mayor and police chief for assurance and guidance. Cooper assured them that patrols had been beefed up, the Guardian Angels agreed to help patrol the city, and Cooper and Harmon impressed upon people, particularly women, to stay out of poorly-lit areas and to use extreme caution, especially after dark.

The information number being used by the Task Force will remain in operation. Officials encourage anyone with any information to call at 201-676-0406. The line is open on a 24-hour basis.

Racism on US Air flight

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day. But, upon return to Philadelphia, where he is the president of the Philadelphia Tribune, he made some phone calls to US Air and told that the computer printed the wrong seat number on the boarding pass and that airline workers used poor judgement in asking Bogie to move.

But Bogie believed that this was part of US Air's shotty treatment of African Americans, an issue that is not a new one between blacks and the airline.

Although US Air officials deny that the airline exercises in discriminatory practices, other airlines contacted by the Tribune, contradicted US Air's policy.

Representatives of other commercial airlines stated that once a boarding pass is issued, then a seat is guaranteed to the passenger unless the customer requests a change or if there is an airplane change.

US Air is currently before federal court due to motions filed by black pilots and flight attendants stemming from December 1991 charges of discrimination. The NAACP said that US Air being targeted for their "Fair Share" program which seeks agreements with major corporations to establish employment and economic development goals in order to do business with African Americans.

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OPINION EDITORIAL

Journalistic integrity—foreign concept?

You know, Arthur Ashe is one of the good guys. He is an African-American hero, a civic leader, and one of the few positive role models our young people have today. After a successful career in professional tennis he used his time to teach the game and encourage positive activities for youth.

When he was forced to admit that he has the AIDS virus, it was not only disturbing to youth, but we are losing another of our leaders to the disease, but also in the way the information was brought to light.

Yes, we as journalists are news gatherers, seeking for one upmanship through the written word. But, if Arthur Ashe did not want to make his secret known, then as a matter of courtesy and respect, he should not have been exposed.

See, we all understand that the newspaper business is all about selling newspapers. But, the line must be drawn somewhere. Yes, Arthur Ashe having AIDS is news, and it will probably be the biggest story in that reporter's career. But, where does a person in the public eye get to have a private life? Yes, there is information about people in the public eye that is suitable for the public. But this situation is pushing it. The ethics employed are questionable and we wonder what type of standard does this set for the future of journalism.

Resistant and decency, even as if they're being kicked to the curb and reporters living for the most sensational story in the battle for the newstand. Something does not seem right.

Arthur Ashe has done more to help people than to harm them throughout his life. Even his reasoning for not telling anyone — sparing his family pain — is unselfish. We can't even imagine how he was living with this terrible nightmare by himself.

It's time that the media learned something about integrity. They teach it in college but not in practice. But, journalists must get back to it before it becomes a part of college folklore.

by Connie Woodruff

You may have thought "it's only a board of education election, so what?" but the two slates of candidates running for three slots on the Newark board last week took themselves and their efforts very seriously.

In the final weeks before April 6, veteran board member and former President, Charlie Bell, John Mavilla and Mary Darden figuratively declared war against challengers Kim Thompson-Gaddy, Maryam Bey and Maritz Fala, the lone Hispanic candidate.

No matter how important or trivial an election, Newarkers approach politics with a life and death attitude. For them, winning is the only thing and protecting turf a passionate mission. In addition there are almost inevitably

personal agendas at stake.

Charlie Bell's re-election was expected. He has longevity on the board, continues to maintain a devoted following, can always call on his friends in the Newark labor unions and does favors for a lot of people who live in public housing throughout the city.

Over the years Bell has carefully courted important blocs of voters like senior citizens and church folks. His election efforts are always launched from a power base that's hard to beat.

So it was no surprise he garnered the highest number of votes and will continue to wield his influence over everything connected with the Newark board of education. He may even be persuaded to take over the presidency again when the Rev. Perry Simmons term expires in 1993.

Bell headed the slate that included incumbents John Mavilla

and Mary Darden. Bell tallied 6,434 votes to Mavilla's 4,991 and Darden's 1,129.

Gaddy's 5,153 votes elected her as the board's only newcomer. She ran ahead of her slate with Fala getting 4,643 votes and 3,777 for Bey.

Gaddy was the candidate sponsored by the new South Ward Independent Democrats Organization. She works with South Ward Councilman Donald Bradley and counts among her mentors, Carl Shariff, an energetic political strategist and former Newark board of ed president.

Gaddy's candidacy was viewed as a test of strength for the fledgling political organization that is expected to challenge the long domination of South Ward Newark regular Democrats.

Fala had been expected to win with the overwhelming support of Newark's burgeoning Hispanic population. With only 351 votes separating her and John Mavilla, it would not be surprising if Fala, an attorney, seeks a recount of votes in the North and East wards where Latinos and Italians vie for political superiority.

Gaddy, Bey and Fala were also supported by West Ward Councilman and State Senator Ronald Rice. At one point, Mayor James I. Griggs fell short of a right endorsement of Gaddy but had some kind words for her ability to serve the board well. It may have been the reason she moved decisively ahead of Mavilla in a second place win.

The final results make it appear that on election day it was every man and woman for him and herself. Alliances flew out the window as they usually do in tough Newark elections.

But the question of who really speaks for Newark students and who is really concerned about their education lingers on. All of the candidates professed their interest in children and the learning experience but it's hard to tell how much of the alleged interest is politically motivated.

As of now it is rumored the Hispanic community is "very upset" that Fala did not become the board's second Latino member to

set policy for a system that is overwhelmingly African American and Hispanic.

There are also nagging rumors that "deals" to swap all three incumbents were scrapped as late as election day and that the behind-the-scenes strategies were orchestrated by some of Newark's best known political power brokers.

It's not expected to be a serious threat, but Congressman Donald Payne will be challenged in the June Primary simply because the 10th congressional district has been expanded to encompass several Union County cities where local candidates facing opposition have fielded tickets that include candidates for Congress.

For the moment, Payne is expected to receive the full support of his Newark constituents and more than reasonable support from voters in Jersey City.

Montclair's first African American councilmember, Dolores "Bobby" Reilly, will be a candidate for mayor in the May 12 election. She is not running with a slate in this election. John Griffith, seeking re-election as councilman-at-large and Audrey Jackson, a candidate for re-election as Fourth Ward councilwoman are also on the ballot.

Newark city councilman Hank Martinez will seek the congressional seat in the new 13th District. And that may have been the smartest move he's made in a long time. Martinez would have faced Bob Menendez, a Democratic State Senator and Mayor of Union City.

Menendez is a Cuban-American but Newark Puerto Ricans are already openly declaring their support of the man well on his way to becoming New Jersey's first Hispanic congressman. Said one of them, "Forget about the perceived cultural differences between Cubans and Puerto Ricans. The important thing is ethnic pride and all Latino people can benefit from having a Hispanic congressman. It's not about friendship but politics."

Health care must not be neglected

by Sharon Khadish Vincent

There continues to be a severe health care crisis in the African American community. The negative effects of a large percentage of our people living with little or no access to decent health care, and the escalation in medical costs which has virtually caused health premiums to spiral out of the affordable reach of the middle class, all highlight the problem.

The genocidal effects of the AIDS epidemic that daily claims and brings forth more victims, as well as increased deaths resulting from cancer (especially lung cancer, and breast cancer), heart disease, strokes, tuberculosis etc., have been especially brutal. Practically every medical report issued cites statistics which show our mortality rates four to five times higher than that of whites. The reports generally note, that it is a lack of exposure to preventive health care which makes our stats so high.

There are thousands of people who have been infected by the HIV virus, who still don't know it. Everyone was shocked when Earvin (Magic) Johnson announced that he had contracted the HIV virus through his many heterosexual encounters. As a result of his infection, he made the decision to retire from basketball, thereby, putting an end to his illustrious career. Magic Johnson summed up the feelings which most people have when he stated:

Quote of the Week

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— that he never thought that it could happen to him. But it did, and it is happening over and over again in our community.

The revelation by tennis great, Arthur Ashe, that he has had AIDS since 1988, has set off another shock wave. In his announcement, Arthur Ashe stated that he was infected by a blood transfusion during open heart surgery which he had in 1983. Arthur Ashe, not only excelled on the courts, but has demonstrated excellence in every project he has been involved in. He is one of the few African American athletes, who dared to openly speak out against racism and discrimination, and he took a very active role in the anti-apartheid struggle. His efforts to bring more African Americans into the sport of tennis, is a testament to his unselfishness and commitment to equal opportunity.

As we have two high profile heroes in our community in a short span of time, announce that they have been infected by the HIV virus, will undoubtedly increase the awareness about this dreaded disease among young and old. But, we must make sure that the major cause of the high rate of AIDS infection among both men and women in our community: intravenous drug use, and unsafe sexual practices, be talked about with our youth, so that we can try to stop this epidemic from taking more precious lives.

The mass media has virtually ignored the research which is going on in Kenya around AIDS,

and the positive effects of Keron and now Immunex. Both of these drugs (out of Africa) have shown very encouraging results in dealing with AIDS. Inhotop Gary Boyd, and Dr. Barbara Jastie, have been out there trying to bring this information to the African American community. Recently, the Honorable Louis Fausan of the Nation of Islam, announced that the Nation had acquired exclusive distribution rights to the AIDS fighting drug Immunex. In the March 23, 1992 issue of The Final Call newspaper, Minister Fausan stated, "We would like FDA approval, however we can't wait. We will take any risk, bear any burden to free our people of a man-made disease designed to kill us all." He further went on to state that, "The drug will be offered to all who need it, regardless of race, creed or color."

The Nation of Islam has made a bold move, and like brother Gary (of radio station WLBB) and Sister Barbara, all will be commended for daring to take the initiative in seeking to get the word out about these two AIDS fighting drug treatments devel-

oped in Kenya. It is obvious that the white controlled media is attempting to keep this information from the people in this country. It is important that we encourage the African American press, to investigate and do some reports about the work being done in Kenya, where the AIDS crisis has taken its toll.

We should lobby for increased funding into AIDS research, but we must lobby just as hard for increased spending in cancer and heart disease research. The fact that the outbreak of tuberculosis is spreading throughout our neighbors, and in many urban cities has caused health officials to issue alerts, shows that we again, whatever gains we thought we had, have now diminished as a result of greed and neglect.

While most people are reportedly concerned about the crisis in our health care system, we must make sure that we demand that those health problems which are causing so much pain and suffering in the African American community, are not pushed to the back of the agenda during this presidential election year.

Commentary...

America's work ethic needs reworking

by Carolyn L. Bennett, Ph.D.

The majority population in America is not used to being lazy or shiftless, a people incapable of living by the sweat of his own brow but all too willing to gorge himself on the fruits of other people's and nation's labors and resources.

The word is out that there is an arrogance so great among Americans that they feel themselves entitled — entitled to the work of others — without need of a work ethic of their own. According to this view, Americans are a chosen people who don't need to dirty their hands: don't have to work hard or save or strive for quality and efficiency that serves a work beyond their individual selves. This is the view that other countries often have of Americans.

The Japanese have grown weary with America's whining and Japanese-bashing in the face of its own failure to arrest an insidious decline in its moral, economic and structural fabric. The Speaker of Japan's lower house of Parliament, Yoshio Sakurakichi, calls Americans workers "lazy."

Prime Minister Kiichi Miyazawa says Americans "lack a work ethic" and fail to "live by the sweat of their brow." And David Sanger, correspondent for a New York City daily wonders whether the bold face reality of America's "shoddy products and national economic decline" is not merely a consequence of cyclical downturn, but rather the result of "fundamental problems in the American work-place."

The White House, however, chooses denial over the ring of truth.

It would rather we continued distracting ourselves trading punches with Japan. When White House spokesman Martin Fitzwater heard the Japanese assessment of the American work ethic — instead of addressing the fundamental question of whether America's work ethic is working, why or why not, and what we are doing about it — he leaps on the defensive, shorting up America's denial and the lies Americans would much rather believe about themselves.

Fitzwater says the American work ethic is "beyond to none" and its work ethic "legendary" for having "promoted the greatest prosperity in the world." Furthermore, if they do "start picking on us," we'll take our marbles and go home. "We're not the defensive, shorting up America's denial and the lies Americans would much rather believe about themselves."

Yes, but...is it true what they say about America's work ethic? Is the Japanese assessment of the American work ethic "legendary" for having "promoted the greatest prosperity in the world..." Furthermore, if they do "start picking on us," we'll take our marbles and go home. "We're not the defensive, shorting up America's denial and the lies Americans would much rather believe about themselves."

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In the February issue of a popular monthly news magazine, Janice Castro reports that the average 1992 American worker, as contrasted with

the 1970s worker, puts in more time on the job (fulltime, parttime, supplementary job) but the worker does not work more efficiently. The author agrees with the warning that "American business must find ways to operate more efficiently (but it won't happen simply by keeping employees in the office longer..."

Efficiency is central to the problem — not only in the workplace of industry and government, but in the classroom. Castro's conclusion is accurate for all workplaces. Adding hours, or prolonging the ordeal, will improve factory or government work any more than it will improve education. I won't ensure that a person graduating from any school or college will be a good worker or a worthy contributor to society.

We have had our fill of the efficiency (hard work, thrift) ethic, the Protestant ethic of the 17th century. Long ago we abandoned it. As we grew in sophistication, we came to realize that not everyone practiced the Puritan ethic or cared one whit about mythical connections between religious and economic morality. The years marched on and brought with them a progression of suffering and oppression, greed and corruption. Some people were the worker bees, while others conferred upon themselves the entitlement to live by the sweat of the worker's brow, the fruit of the worker's labor.

This interplay of greed and corruption and suffering and oppression, the ever widening gulf between the worker bees and the extortionists, creates rebellion. The worker says: I will simply not work or will "work to the rule," giving nothing beyond the minimal requirements to survive in a culture that holds me

in contempt. The middle manager's sole occupation is scrambling up the ladder. And the top brass makes time at the pinnacle of incompetence, having moved totally out of reach of anything remotely connected with the organization's mission and operation.

America needs to rework its work ethic. But the culture of the workplace values not just hard work, efficiency and thrift. But the work itself. A particular job: school teaching, over prostitution, public service over public education, housecleaning over housebuilding, pharmacy over drug trafficking.

There needs to be a culture in work that no longer values climbing the corporate, government, military ladder, surviving by getting Federal grants for meaningless research in a university setting; or working to the rule in any setting. A culture that values all constructive work, all processes (management and management) — from sorting the mail to analyzing strategic moves of foreign nations. Our work ethic must be one that chooses work for its constructive value, not its destructive uses — that chooses work over prostitution, that places value in the process as well as in those who perform the work. And in placing value in the job and the person, places value also in training, education, staff development and retaining; as well as in the advice and counsel of the work force.

With a reworking of America's work ethic, its values in the workplace, we can build a better America whose workers and output are, indeed, second to none.

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YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

East Orange kicks off 1992 Jobs 100 Program

EAST ORANGE — On March 1, Deputy Labor Commissioner, Oliver Quinn, the East Orange business community, and local officials joined Mayor Cardell Cooper at a breakfast to kick off the 1992 Jobs 100 summer youth employment program. The program was introduced last summer by Mayor Cooper to match young employees with private sector employers.

During the breakfast hosted by Upsala College, guest speaker Quinn told the audience of approximately one hundred business men and women. The recent graduates of New York's Thomas Jefferson High School where two teens were killed by a classmate, clearly demonstrates the need for programs like Jobs 100. Quinn added, "The Jobs 100 program is not a call for philanthropy. The business community

must take a vested interest in its 'human capital,' as these young people are our future workers."

Mayor Cooper commented, "When the Jobs 100 program began last year, our theme was '100 Jobs for 100 Youth.' I am proud to announce we met our goal and are looking forward this summer to providing meaningful work experiences for even more of our young citizens." He added, "I commend those employers who gave our young people a chance to prove they too can make a difference to their country's bottom line."

The program differs from the summer job program offered by the county and city in that the Jobs 100 participants complete an intensive four-week pre-employment training course in order to be eligible for placement. City youth between the

ages of 16 and 21 years will receive instruction that include basic office procedures and employer/employee relationships. According to Steve Ewing, chairman of the advisory committee that administers the program in conjunction with the city's Planning Department, "I am encouraging the area business community to reap the benefits the Jobs 100 program has to offer. At the completion of the training program, employers have ready a labor pool of trained young people eager and enthusiastic about entering the real world of work."

Applications for the Jobs 100 program will be available during late spring.

For additional information call Eugene Jones at 201-266-5128.

Plainfield resident named to Who's Who

WAYNE — Shakira Williams, a Plainfield resident, has been named to the 1992 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. She is a student of William Paterson College. Williams, a junior at WPC, volunteers for the Big Brother/Big Sister program. She serves as chairperson of the Educational Opportunity Fund's Student Advisory Board. A community and school health major, Ms. Williams is also a member of the Black Student Association and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Students are named to Who's Who on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success. The students are selected from more than 1,400 institutions in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations.

Jan Ernst Matzeliger (1852-1889) Inventor and businessman

When young, slim, rather handsome Jan Ernst Matzeliger arrived in Lynn, Massachusetts in 1876, he could barely speak a word of English. No one knew him; he was poor and friendless, having been for two years a sailor. When he died thirteen years later, his name was known not only in Massachusetts, but wherever inventors gathered. During the years left to him, he laid the foundation of the shoe industry in the United States and made Lynn, Massachusetts the shoe capital of the world.



Before Matzeliger, hundreds of inventors had labored and thousands of dollars had been spent in an effort to make a complete shoe by machine. Inventors such as Thompson, McKay and Copeland had developed crude shoe making machines but the final problem of shaping the upper leather over the last and attaching this leather to the bottom of the shoe stymied them. The "hand-lasters," as they were called, performed this crucial and final step. They were the aristocrats of the shoe industry and, in effect, had control of the shoe manufacturing industry. They were highly paid and temperamental, but no matter how fast the other portions of the shoe were completed, they could turn out only forty to fifty pairs each per day.

Matzeliger heard of the problem. Already extremely competent with mechanical things, such a challenge suited him perfectly. As he worked in shoe factories around Lynn and Boston, he heard it said many times that it was impossible to last shoes by machine; the job simply could not be done. In secret he started experimenting, first with a crude wooden machine, then with a model made out of scrap iron. For ten years he worked, steadily and

patiently, with no encouragement. Indeed, when the news of his tinkering finally reached the public, there were jeers of derision. Matzeliger only smiled and continued working.

Meanwhile, after being denied membership in several churches, he finally joined a young adult group which made his days less lonely. Little did he hear of his Dutch father or Surinamese mother in his native Dutch Guiana. There is no record of his courting or marrying. Yet when he was working on his invention, acquaintances and friends would drop in to chat and perhaps smile condescendingly. Finally in 1882, Matzeliger felt he had perfected his machine to solve the impossible problem. When he applied for a patent and sent his diagrams to Washington, patent reviewers could not even understand them. They were so complicated that a man was dispatched from Washington to Lynn, Massachusetts to see the model itself. On March 20, 1883, patent number 274,207 was granted to Jan E. Matzeliger. Six years later, he died of tuberculosis.

Taken from Sidney Kaplan, "Jan Ernst Matzeliger and the Making of the shoe," *Journal of Negro History*, XL (January, 1958), pp 8-33.

Earth Day forum in Newark

NEWARK — In celebration of Earth Day, the Greater Newark Conservancy (GNC) is conducting an intensive hands-on environmental forum with teachers and students at the Project Link Community School on Wednesday, April 15 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

The GNC will start the day's events by giving a brief introduction as to how global environmental issues can be addressed and understood on a local level. Under the direction of the GNC, students and teachers will then be divided into four stations. The topics covered will include: Outdoor Planting in Raised Beds; Indoor Planting; Recycling; and Pollution. Students will be rotated, spending thirty minutes at each station. Each station will be administered jointly by teachers and GNC staff.

These Earth Day activities form the basis of a new partnership between the GNC and the Project Link Community School. The planning of this event has served as a catalyst for future projects whereby the GNC will continue to assist the Project Link Community School in environmental activities. The GNC plans to work with the school in helping them to construct and fill planter beds, in addition to providing horticultural and technical guidance through workshops, hands-on plantings and consulting services.

Maxson hosts career day

PLAINFIELD — The Friends of Maxson are sponsoring a Career Day on Wednesday, May 26 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. People representing various vocations will be available to discuss different careers. For more information call 908-753-6736.

Eastside inducts new Honor Society

PATERSON — Fifteen students from Eastside High School were inducted into membership of the National Honor Society in a candlelight ceremony at the high school on March 13.

Members were selected by a faculty council for meeting high standards of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. The students inducted were: Hewitt, Angas; Jasper Baker; Edward Belfield; Lakeya Brown; Sandy Codeno; Halverie Davis; Tracia Griffith; Alex Lopez; Madeline Martin; Kweisi Moody; Natasha Owens; Fabio Ramirez; George Ramo; Angel Rivera; and Elba Rodriguez.

"National Honor Society members are expected to continue their exemplary contributions to the school and community," said Eastside High School, Chapter Advisor, John Sisco, Jr.



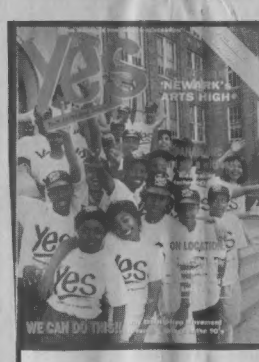
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United Hospitals promotes fire safety among children

NEWARK — In celebration of the week of the young child, April 6, the Safe Kids Program at United Hospitals Medical Center in conjunction with the Emergency Committee to Save Child Care and the Newark Fire Department hosted a fire prevention program at the hospital for preschoolers on April 9.

The majority of children killed in fires each year are under the age of 10 and the annual fire safety program prides itself on teaching children ways to prevent fires as well as how to protect themselves during a fire. Over 800 preschoolers attend the program each year where they participate in stop, drop and roll and crawling through smoke activities as well as seeing a puppet show on fire safety. Another popular activity, the Rappin' Fireman, speaks of the dangers of playing with matches and teaches other safety methods.

Children also explored the fire engine in order to familiarize themselves with the firefighter's equipment. "Many children perish in fires because they think they can hide

from the flames and the smoke in either a closet or under the bed. They see a fireman with an oxygen mask and think he's a monster," said Ronald Ballaw of the Newark Fire Department and coordinator for the Fire Safety program.

"We want to teach them not to be afraid, and how they can save themselves. We also want to teach them that the firefighter is not a monster, but that he is your friend," Ballaw added.

The success of previous programs have prompted the three organizations to continue to sponsor it. The fire safety program used is that offered through the Children's Television Workshop which utilizes the Sesame Street characters.

"This program is important because it encourages children to learn safety procedures by participating in demonstrations conducted by firefighters who use a robot and other props to get their message across," said Dr. Kendall Spivak, director of the Safe Kids Program at United Hospitals Medical Center.

Religious Calendar

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

PLAINFIELD — Crescent Avenue Church will be hosting their annual Good Friday service at 8:15 p.m. at the church located at 716 Watchung Avenue. They are welcoming area singers to participate. For more information call 908-785-2468.

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

PLAINFIELD — Special music for Passover will be featured in the Easter morning service at the First Unitarian Society of Plainfield, 724 Park Avenue, beginning at 10:30 a.m. For further information call 908-785-1750.

SUNDAY, MAY 3

SUMMIT — Four of New Jersey's top jazz musicians will perform at St. John's Lutheran Church at 587 Springfield Avenue at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 908-273-7018.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6

PLAINFIELD — Families Trust in God, Inc. will meet for family night from 7 to 8:30 p.m. For more information call 908-688-0100. A Tribute to all Mothers will be held on May 13.

Send your religious calendar events to City News, P.O. Box 1774, Plainfield, N.J. 07060

We all need some stress

by Michael DiMatteo, D.O.

NEWARK — American businesses lose an estimated \$150 billion every year as a result of stress-related absenteeism, diminished productivity, medical costs and employee turnover. The cost to stressed-out American workers is more difficult to calculate.

We all need some stress to make our lives challenging and interesting. But, prolonged or misdirected stress can lead to heart attack, stroke, hypertension, ulcers, psychological disorders and accidents.

It's often not the level of stress in our lives, but how we feel about it and cope with it that is important. Fortunately, we can learn ways to understand and handle stress constructively. The first line of stress defense is to identify stressors by pinpointing just what it is that is making us uncomfortable. But once an undue stressor is identified, we must decide how to handle it. If we can, we should separate the problem into manageable pieces and congratulate ourselves each time we make a small gain, rather than tackle a big problem all at once.

Regular work, adequate sleep, a balanced diet, recreation and exercise can help your body deal with stress. But, unfortunately, we often make two mistakes in dealing with stress. First, we approach our play time with the same grim drive to succeed that characterizes our stress-filled work lives. Second, because we tolerate high stress for short periods, we begin to believe that we can handle it indefinitely.

Here are some tips on relaxation and recreation:

- Find an activity that's challenging and enjoyable
- Plan some form of recreation every day.
- Think of recreation as your personal reward for fulfilling the day's

Black nurses to host Congress on Health, Law and Economics

WASHINGTON, DC — The 7,000 member National Black Nurses' Association, Inc. (NBNA) will hold its 20th National Institute and Conference and Fourth Quadrennial Black Congress on Health, Law and Economics at the Hyatt Regency St. Louis in St. Louis, Missouri, July 28 - August 2, 1992, under the theme "NBNA's Action Plan for Healthy People 2000."

Democratic National Committee Chairman Ronald Brown has been invited to welcome the nurses at their opening session on Friday, July 31st. US Department of Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Louis Sullivan has been invited to keynote the opening session of the Black Congress on Health, Law and Economics. The major Democratic and Republican presidential candidates have been invited to address the organization.

More than 2,000 African American nurses and 8,000 other allied health professionals leaders and exhibitors from communities across the country will convene to develop a national action plan to meet the "Healthy People 2000" national health objectives and analyze the roles of the nurse, other allied health

professionals and the consumer in prevention and intervention programs.

In addition to Dr. Sullivan, Chairman Brown and the presidential candidates, several members of Congress have been invited to participate in a special "Town Hall Meeting" on Friday, July 31 from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. to discuss "Federal Policies Impacting Health Care." US Senator Edward Kennedy (D-MA), Congressman Henry Waxman (D-CA), Congressman Louis Stokes (D-OH) and Congressman Ronald Dellums (D-CA) are all expected to participate.

The National Black Nurses' Association, Inc. has 55 chapters nationwide, and reaches approximately 130,000 nurses from the United States, Eastern Caribbean and Africa. The NBNA mission is to provide a forum for collective action by black nurses to "investigate, define and determine the health care needs of black Americans and to implement change to make available to black Americans and other minorities health care commensurate to that of the larger society."

McDonald's inaugurate Braille and picture menu

NEW YORK — Last month, the tri-state area McDonald's restaurants reintroduced its Braille and picture menus for customers with vision, hearing or speech impairments. Although Braille menus have been available since 1979 and picture menus since 1988, these menus were updated recently as part of a nationwide reintroduction. The updated menus include all of McDonald's new products such as the McLean Deluxe and Fajitas.

"With the implementation of the ADA, this is a very appropriate time for us to restate our commitment to our customers with sight, hearing or speech impairments by updating our Braille and picture menus. We want to guarantee all our customers enjoy their visits to McDonald's," said Peter Hunt, president of the tri-state McDonald's Restaurant Owners' Association.

The new menus were developed in cooperation with the American Foundation for the Blind and the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association. The new Braille menus are unique in that they are the first menus that are graphically pleasing to blind readers.

"We are delighted to be able to help McDonald's because this service is invaluable to us. These menus



Carl Augusto (r) and Arthur Palmer, McDonald's restaurant owner (l) show the new McDonald's Braille menu to students from PPS #4 in New York City.

expand our members' freedom and help make the world a more accessible place," said Carl Augusto, Executive Operator of the American Foundation for the Blind.

"McDonald's has always led the industry in providing services

and employment opportunities to people with disabilities. In fact, we have had Braille menus in our restaurants for many years and continue to be the only quick service restaurant to offer these menus nationwide," Hunt said.

Senior Hat Competitions underway in Newark

NEWARK — Newark's Central Ward Councilman George Branch has announced that he has joined forces with the Division on Aging and other agencies to sponsor "Senior Citizen Hat Competitions." "We are looking for senior citizens who wish to hold their own local competitions between now and May 15, 1992. At that point, we will take one to three of their finalists, who become eligible to participate in the final 'Hat Extravaganza' at the end of May.

The Councilman explained that any senior citizen center or nutrition site can set up its own rules and guidelines for their competitions, working with Ms. Alice Jones, a Senior Development Specialist, who is available to assist in planning for their local shows. "The local shows can be held at their respective centers, in the recreation rooms, or wherever they have space," the Councilman explained. "Once they have held their contests, centers can

contact Ms. Jones to make arrangements to enter their finalists in the final extravaganza on May 26th. Ms. Jones can be reached by calling 201-624-6218."

Councilman Branch went on to explain that any senior center can register any senior citizen within their complex. Flyers, application forms and guidelines are available

for centers by contacting Ms. Jones, Councilman Branch's office or Kitty Taylor.

"This is the kind of activity that can mean fun and excitement for all participants," Ms. Jones emphasized. "Both males and females are welcome to get their finest hats together, contact their local center, and join in!"

Adopt a waiting child

NEWARK — Makal, Ali, and Edwin are just a few of the African American children waiting to be adopted in New Jersey. The Division of Youth and Family Services encourages people to give these

who can provide him with structure and guidance.

Ali, birthdate March 30, 1985, attends regular Kindergarten class and exhibits some mild develop-

other children and adults. Edwin is in the sixth grade and a good student. He enjoys watching TV, playing Nintendo, drawing and riding his bike. Edwin's future goal is to become a plumber. A



Makal, children the warm, loving, and stable homes that they need.

Makal, birthdate April 5, 1985, is in good health. He attends a Special Education first grade class and is doing well. Makal needs a loving and patient adoptive family



Ali, mental delays. He is a very affectionate and even-tempered young boy, who will flourish with the right family.

Edwin, birthdate September 10, 1979. He is very bright and mannerable and gets along well with



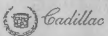
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MONDAY, APRIL 20

NEW YORK CITY — Santi DeLano, Kenny Rogers, and Alvin Tarr will perform through to April 25 at Bradley's located between E. 10th and E. 11th sts. For more information call 212-228-6445.

WAYNE — "Jazz It Up!" a free jazz festival, will be presented through to 26 at Willowbrook Mall. For more information call 201-785-1618.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22

NEWARK — "The City of Dreams," on production with Passage Theater Co. at Mary B. Birch Theater, Essex County College, 202 University Ave. at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$10, \$5 (students). For more info, call 201-872-4425 or 4426.

THURSDAY, APRIL 23

SOMERS POINT — "A Moon for the Misbegotten" will be featured at the South Jersey Regional Theatre, Bay Ave. thru May 10. For more info, call 609-683-9531.

FRIDAY, APRIL 24

NEWARK — "The Late Great Ladies of Blues and Jazz" will be performed at 8 p.m. at Newark Symphony Hall.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

WAYNE — The Ridgewood Concert Band, the pro Arts Chorus and the Ethos Percussion Ensemble will perform at William Paterson college at 8 p.m. in Shea Center. For more information call 201-423-1271.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

NEW YORK CITY — Mulgrew Miller, Steve Nelson and Eric Coleman will perform at Bradley's located between E. 10th and E. 11th sts.

MONDAY, APRIL 27

NEW YORK CITY — Joanne Braxton and Cecil McBee will perform through to May 2 at Bradley's located between E. 10th and E. 11th sts.

THURSDAY, APRIL 30

NEW BRUNSWICK — "Ziegfeld: A Night at the Follies," a glittering entertainment extravaganza will be featured at the State Theatre, 15 Livingston Ave. at 8:00 p.m. For more info, call 908-246-7465.

NEWARK — "Ruthy" will be featured by the Ensemble Theatre at Newark Symphony Hall, 1030 Broad St. For more info, call 201-642-0153.

UPPER MONTCLAIR — "A Chorus Line" will be performed at Montclair State College through to May 2 and May 7. For more information and showtimes call 201-893-5112.

FRIDAY, MAY 1

PLAINFIELD — "Miss Truth" will be performed at the Grant Avenue Community Center, 403 West 7th Street. The show will also be performed on May 2. For more information call 908-561-0123.

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New Philip Morris "Guide to Black Organizations" now available

NEW YORK — The Philip Morris "Guide to Black Organizations"

1992-1994 Edition, "one of the oldest and most popular of the public service directories issued periodically by the company, was recently released at the 48th Anniversary Dinner of the United Negro College Fund (UNCF).

The new Guide includes, for the first time, listings for 112 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs). "It was appropriate that the Guide be unveiled at the UNCF dinner since the Fund represents institutions where work has been critical to the advances of African Americans in our society," said George L. Knox III, Vice President, Public Affairs, Philip Morris Companies Inc.

The latest edition of the Philip

Morris "Guide to Black Organizations" is the company's sixth such volume to be published biennially, and distributed without charge, since 1981. It is thought to be the largest and most authoritative book of its kind.

The new Guide features updated listings and descriptions of 274 national, regional and local not-for-profit organizations. Included are such diverse groups as the 7.5-million-member National Baptist Convention, USA, Inc. (said to be the largest Black organization in the world), Opera North, the only Black-run opera company in the US, and the Greater Fairbanks (Alaska) Black Political Caucus. The latter is one of 30 state political caucuses in the directory.

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CITY LIFE

Behind-the-Scenes

by Lisa Collins

CULVER CITY, CA — Janet Jackson's New Leading Man: Rap artist, Tupac Shakur has landed the lead role opposite Janet Jackson in John Singleton's upcoming film, "Poetic Justice." Shakur, a member of the rap group "Digital Underground," made his acting debut last year when he landed one of the leads in the controversial film, "Juice." He's currently enjoying success as a solo album with his single entitled "Brenda's Got A Baby," from his "2Pacalypse" album. Shakur will play a fledgling rapper who falls for Justice (played by Janet). Singer actor Keith Washington has landed the featured role of "Dexter," a womanizing hardcore. Washington credits the cast and staff of the top-rated daytime soap opera, "General Hospital" for "bringing it the acting" out in him. "At the Soul Train Awards, Washington alluded to the fact that there were some great things in the making. This must be what he was talking about. At any rate, others who've been cast in the movie (set to begin production in Los Angeles next week), include former "227" co-star Regina King, vocalist Miki Howard, and actress Mya Farrell. Farrell, who turned in an outstanding performance in the movie (set to begin production in Los Angeles next week), said to have pacted with Singleton to appear in all of his movies.

Vanessa Bell Calloway Gets Rhythm: Vanessa Bell Calloway beat out Holly Robinson and Olivia Brown for the lead female role in a pilot for a new sitcom over at Fox Studios tentatively titled "Rhythm & Blues." (Calloway will also be seen next week in CBS' all star soap — "Scorpion" At the Savoy"). Actor-comedian Martin Lawrence (of "House Party 2" fame) is all set to star in the pilot whose plot centers on a white disc jockey taking over an R&B station. While the cast has been finalized, Heavy D's name is one of those being tossed around. Of course, Heavy D. is one of many rappers now setting his sights on acting. Now it seems out of the question that this Pop would also like to try their lack at the music scene in the late 80's and have broken all the barriers. While a deal has yet to be signed, they hope to be in front of cameras this fall on their first film project. In the meantime, they're at work on a new album...In other Hollywood news, Halle Berry landed the coveted starring role in the upcoming CBS miniseries "Queen," which is based on Alex Haley's account of his paternal grandmother, the daughter of a black slave and a white master.

On the home front "Basically I am not different," says Luther Vandross of his new hit song, "I just look different. It's just a question of aesthetics and vanity."

Vandross admitted, "I have nothing against people who are overweight. How can I? I've spent two-thirds of my life that way, but I happen to prefer myself this way, and I'll just keep struggling with it (the weight of course), and someday I'll win, I guess...Vandross' former singing partner Lisa Fischer has been winning a lot of kudos this year, sharing a Grammy with Patti LaBelle and beating out Patti and Aretha to cap this year's Soul Train award for best R&B female single. Of course, working with Luther Vandross for the last eight years, didn't hurt any. Says Fischer, "everything he's told me from the beginning that didn't sink in then, is beginning to sink in now." Of course all of her newfound fame hasn't kicked in yet. She's still plenty nervous. "As I'm singing, I'm thinking God let me hit this note. Let me not make any mistakes. That's my train of thought. I'm trying to enjoy it for as long as I can. I'm just thankful anyone notices." How can you not notice. Looks, talent — she even co-wrote her hit song "How Can I Ease The Pain." There is now talk of her teaming with Vandross for an album...By the way: Tony Terry, who scored big on the charts with last year's smash hit single, "When I'm With You," is working on a duet with Anita Baker for her upcoming album...

Urban Bush Women hit Montclair State

UPPER MONTCLAIR — Performing live music, movement and vocalizations based on field hollers and chants, urban Bush Women will bring its theatrical performance to the Montclair State College campus on May 11 at 8 p.m.

A New York City-based troupe mixes modern and jazz choreography with Caribbean and African rhythms, tribal chants and gospel testifying, and explores a peoples' transformation of suffering into the joy of survival. Urban Bush Women seeks to create a sense of community on stage and for its audience. The dancers move to percussive music and their own claps, stomps and "street speech," which often deal with homelessness and oppression.

The company was founded in 1984 by Jawole Wilia Jo Zollar, who was born and raised in Kansas City, MO and was steeped from childhood in both sacred and secular aspects of the popular black culture.

She received her bachelor's degree in dance from the University of Missouri at Kansas City and her master's in dance from Florida State University. Urban Bush Women synthesizes the spiritual influences of Zollar's upbringing with the technical demands of her formal dance training, uniting concern for the history and accuracy of African Americans with her interest in cross-disciplinary theatrical forms.

Urban Bush women has presented major seasons in New York and has toured widely in the United States, including appearances at Festival 2000, the Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival and Spoleto Festival USA, as well as residencies in Boston, Atlanta, Minneapolis, Austin and Albuquerque.

The Montclair State performance will be held in Memorial Auditorium. For more information call 201-893-5112.

Late Night Basketball: Slammin' and jammin' in Newark

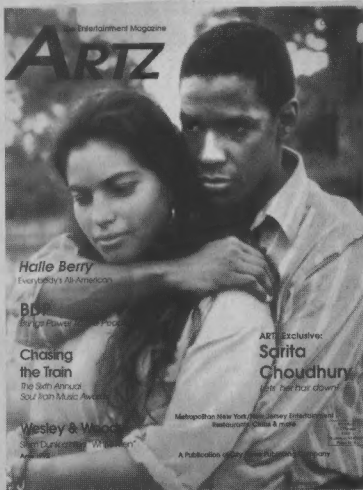
NEWARK — Approximately 90 young men from Newark are now playing competitive basketball at The Salvation Army's facility on Springfield Avenue as part of the Army's newly-formed Late Night Basketball League, a crime prevention program for minority youth and their families.

Late Night Basketball has been organized by a coalition of more than 20 Newark community agencies responding to the need to provide minority youth in Newark with alternatives to life on the "street." The program has been patterned after the Midnight Basketball Leagues of Glen Arden, Chicago and Los Angeles. The Salvation Army and the Division of Juvenile Services, Department of Corrections are the lead agencies in this effort.

The League has been operating for two weeks and in that short time, has attracted an enthusiastic nightly audience of almost 300 family members and friends. Because of this favorable response, the Salvation Army is excited about the future of the League and its potential for reducing crime and instilling a sense of community spirit. The Salvation Army's Westside facility is the first site of operation and expansion to all 5 Ward's existing in the future.

Participating agencies in the Late Night Basketball League include: The Salvation Army; Division of Juvenile Services, Department of Corrections; Ready Scholar Program; Newark Fighting Back; Newark Police Department; Essex County Sheriff's Department; Integrity House; New Day; Newark Board of Education; Teen Guidance Program; Youth Advocacy Program; Young Fathers Program; Sobriety on the Hill; Essex County Probation Department; Essex Court Auto Theft Program; International Youth Organization; Jersey State College; Essex County Prosecutors Office; Police Athletic League; New Community Corporation; Seth Boyden Youth Development Program; Division of Youth and Family Services.

For more information on the Late Night Basketball League, call 201-623-5959.



Gotta know what KRS-1 is saying...Gotta know what ROY HARGROVE is playing...Gotta see HALLE BERRY shine...Gotta know who's on the rise...Gotta have the 411 on the hottest acts, entertainers, and places to be...Gotta have the April ARTZ! DON'T MISS OUT! Call 908-754-3400.

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9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

In Essex County, call:
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HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF ASBURY PARK NOTICE FOR CONSULTANT

The Housing Authority of the City of Asbury Park is inviting submittals from persons interested in performing professional consulting services as a Comprehensive Grant Program Administrator, Administrator Modernization and Operation. This is one position and the scope of services includes:

Comprehensive Grant Administrator

1. Directs preparation of Comprehensive Grant Program application.
2. Administers all phases of Comprehensive Grant Program budget and prepares necessary budget revisions.
3. Prepares all reports and the correspondence relating to the Comprehensive Grant Program for the contract officer.
4. Will be responsible for administering and preparing Public Housing Management Assessment Program (PHMAP).

Will also administer existing Modernization projects

1. Directs preparation of existing CIAP application.
2. Administers all phases of the existing CIAP budget and prepares necessary budget revisions.
3. Leads in the selection of professional A/E firms and make recommendation to the contract officer.
4. Supervises the entire construction contract procedure.
5. Prepares all reports and the correspondence relating to the existing CIAP program for the contract officer.

And will also administer Operations

1. Directs preparation of major maintenance contracts and purchases.
2. Supervises administration of major maintenance contracts and purchases.
3. Monitors budgetary and time constraints involved in the implementation of major maintenance programs.
4. Coordinates with the maintenance supervisory staff.

The consultant will serve directly under the supervision of the Contract Officer and/or Executive Director.

All proposals will be ranked using the following merit factors with the corresponding weights:

Factor	Weight
1. Technical and professional experience	40%
2. Capability to perform services in a timely manner	25%
3. Past performance with CIAP and major maintenance program activity	15%
4. Thorough knowledge of HUD regulations relative to CIAP and Maintenance and Management	10%
5. General response to the invitation	5%
6. Price	5%

Interested firms or individuals should respond by 10 a.m. April 22, 1992 to Kenneth E. Nixon, Jr., Executive Director, Asbury Park Housing Authority, 100 1/2 Third Ave., Asbury Park, New Jersey 07712.

Kenneth E. Nixon, Jr., PHMAPA Executive Director

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Housing Authority of the City of East Orange, New Jersey is requesting proposals for provision of the following described services:

Preparation of Public Housing Drug Elimination Program Application.

Proposal requirements, criteria for award of contract, additional information regarding scope of services and submission of proposals may be obtained by contacting the administrative offices of the East Orange Housing Authority on Monday through Friday (9:00 AM to 4:00 PM), telephone 201-991-0250, or by writing or visiting the Authority's offices located at 160 Haledale Street, East Orange, N.J.

Deadline for receipt of proposals is May 1, 1992.

Edward Zimbicki Executive Director

REQUEST FOR BID

A-1: The Housing Authority of the City of Salem hereby requests bids from qualified vendors for the installation of electronic data processing equipment and specific software packages to meet the general operational needs of the Authority.

A-2 All firms submitting bids are invited to inspect and survey the Authority's operation. Inspection/surveys must be pre-approved by the Authority's contract and must not disrupt the normal operations of the Authority.

A-3 Sealed bids will be received by the Authority at the following office:

Ma. Ruth O. Gross
Executive Director
Housing Authority of the City of Salem
205 7th Street
Salem, New Jersey 08079

until 2:00 P.M. Local time on May 4, 1992. Bids received after the stated date and time will not be considered.

A-4: Copies of the request for bid may be obtained from the following:

Housing Authority of the City of Salem
205 7th Street
Salem, New Jersey 08079

* There will be a five dollar (\$5.00) charge if mailed.

A-5: The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, to waive technicalities, and to award the contract in the best interests of the Authority. Bids that do not meet all requirements will be considered non-responsive and eliminated from consideration.

The Housing Authority of the City of Salem.

4-15-92 Ruth O. Gross Executive Director

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FREE ACCOUNTING SERVICES

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Asbury Park is seeking proposals for Free Accounting for its Low-Income Housing Program, Existing Housing Certificates Program, Moderate Rehabilitation Program, and Modernization Program for the period May 1, 1992 and terminating April 30, 1993. The following qualifications factors with the corresponding relative weights:

Factor	Weight
1. Experience in Housing and Urban Development HUD accounting and financial management procedures, as it relates to local housing authorities in operating budgets and grant applications.	85%
2. Experience as fee accountant, with designation of certified public accountant with a minimum of 5 years with governmental authorities and agencies.	30%
3. Thorough knowledge of public contract law and federal procurement requirements: 24 CFR 85.36. Must have thorough understanding of modernization quality reports and closed-out documents.	15%
4. Price	5%

Interested parties should request proposal packages by writing to Kenneth E. Nixon, Jr., Executive Director, Asbury Park Housing Authority, 100 1/2 Third Avenue, Asbury Park, New Jersey 07712.

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HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK INVITATION FOR BIDS

CLEANING, INSPECTION AND REPAIR OF CATCH BASINS, SPRAY POOL AND LAWN INLET BASINS, SANITARY AND STORM MAINS AND EMERGENCY SEWER CLEANING AT VARIOUS PROJECTS
BID NO. HA B0335/1

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK will receive sealed bids for CLEANING, INSPECTION AND REPAIR OF CATCH BASINS, SPRAY POOL AND LAWN INLET BASINS, SANITARY AND STORM MAINS AND PIPE LINES AND EMERGENCY SEWER CLEANING AT VARIOUS PROJECTS, at 10:00 a.m., on the 8th day of May 1992 at 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07103, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

A pre-bid conference will be held at 10:00 a.m., on April 22, 1992 at 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey.

Proposed forms on contract documents, including specifications are on file at the office of the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, CONTRACTS DIVISION, 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey. Invitation No. NHA B0335/1.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, \$20,000.00 or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and acceptable Sureties in the amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the bid shall be submitted with each bid, not to exceed \$20,000.00. The successful bidder will be required to furnish and pay for a satisfactory Performance and Payment Bond or Bonds, a Consent of Surety is required which guarantees issuance of such bond(s) upon award of a contract.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c.127.

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The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding as well as reserves the right to reject all bids in the event that less than three (3) bids are received at the designated time of the opening. The Housing Authority of the City of Newark reserves the right to award to a portion of the award to one or more responsible bidders.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the written consent of the Housing Authority of the City of Newark.

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK
By: Harold Lucas
Executive Director

4-8-92

Advertise public notices, legal notices, bids & RFPs in City News, published each Wednesday, 15,000 distributed throughout Essex, Union, Bergen, Passaic, Hudson, Mercer, Morris, Middlesex & Somerset counties. Only \$65 per page line. Call 908-754-3400 or FAX your bids to 908-754-3403. Bids must be received no later than the Thursday preceding the Wednesday publication date.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK INVITATION FOR BIDS

SERVICE CONTRACT TO REPAIR GAS FIRE INCINERATORS
BID NO. HA B0336/1

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK will receive sealed bids to SERVICE CONTRACT TO REPAIR GAS FIRE INCINERATORS AT VARIOUS PROJECTS. INVITATION NO. B0336/1 at 11:30 a.m., on the 8th day of May 1992, at 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07103, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. A pre-bid conference will be held on April 22, 1992 at 11:30 a.m. at 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey 07103.

Proposed forms on contract documents, including specifications are available at the office of the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, CONTRACTS DIVISION, 57 Sussex Avenue, Newark, New Jersey. All documents are to be submitted in triplicate.

A certified check or bank draft payable to the Housing Authority of the City of Newark, U.S. Government bonds or a satisfactory Bid Bond executed by the Bidder and acceptable Sureties in the amount of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) shall be submitted with each bid.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c.127.

The HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informality in the bidding as well as reserves the right to reject all bids in the event that less than three (3) bids are received at the designated time of the opening. The Housing Authority of the City of Newark also reserves the right to award all or a portion of the award to one or more responsible bidders.

No bid shall be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days subsequent to the opening of bids without the consent of the HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK
By: Harold Lucas
Executive Director

4-8-92

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF NEWARK REQUEST FOR BIDS

BRAND NEW DAY, INC. A Non profit organization is requesting proposals for the total rehabilitation of the building at 176-178 1st Street, Elizabeth, N.J. to complete two commercial uses on the first floor and two, two bedroom apartments on the second floor. The Elizabeth/Porter Presbyterian Church, 194 First Street, Elizabeth, Brand New Day is an equal opportunity employer.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 c.127. Bid proposals will be accepted at the above-said office until 5:00 P.M. on May 15, 1992.

Consent of Surety must be submitted by the bidder, and said Consent of Surety must be issued by a Surety listed in the most recent Publication of the New Jersey Guaranty Association, N.J. 570.

"END OF ADDENDUM" C. J. MCNULTY Executive Director

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Excellent income to assemble products from your home. Info. 504-646-1700. DEPT. P6155

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130 North Avenue 1 Bedroom and 2 Bedroom Apartments \$560 per month.
Call after 6 p.m. 908-753-1176

REAL ESTATE
EDITORIAL ASSISTANT
Publishing company located in Plainfield is looking for the right candidate to fill an entry level editorial assistant position. Must have strong editing skills and an excellent command of the English language and computer. Must be flexible, not a 9-5'er and ready for growth. Reply with resume and writing samples to City News, PO Box 1774, Plainfield, NJ 07061.
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ACCOUNT MANAGER
A leading publisher of vocational/business and office textbooks and related materials seeks an experienced post-secondary Account Manager for our Northeast territory. Educational background desirable, but not a prerequisite. Call Jack Lamborn at (313) 451-0183, or send resume to: Paradigm Publishing International, 44/420 Tichenor, Canton, MI 48187. EOE.

PAGEMAKER/COMPOSITION
Desperately seeking individual with Pagemaker or Quark Experience to work full or part time in fast paced newspaper office. Must have excellent grammar and proofreading skills. Send resume and salary requirements to City News, PO Box 1774, Plainfield, NJ 07061.

HARRISON
The following announcement of entrance examination has been made by New Jersey Department of Personnel and Administration:
Firefighter. Salary: \$26,580 - \$37,123.
Application to be filed by April 14, with New Jersey Department of Personnel and applications can be obtained at Harrison Compliance Office, 2nd Fl., 318 Harrison Avenue, Harrison, N.J. Open to residents of Hudson and Essex County. Requires residency within 15 miles of Harrison upon appointment to position.

The Town of Harrison has further requested the Department of Personnel to schedule examinations for the following positions:
1. Director Free Public Library - \$34,824 - \$50,449.
2. Junior Library Assistant - \$13,470 - \$23,106.
3. Library Assistant Typist - \$14,029 - \$23,466.
4. Junior Library Assistant - \$14,029 - \$23,466.
5. Public Health Nurse - \$33,558 - \$46,870.
6. Public Health Supervisor - \$27,548 - \$38,806.

CIRCULATION
Individuals needed to deliver City News in the following cities: Paterson, Jersey City, Elizabeth, Newark, East Orange/Orangeburg/Hillside. Must have own transportation and clean driving record. Contact J. Johnson 908-754-3400. Today An Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

EXECUTIVE OFFICER
The Central Jersey Chamber of Commerce is seeking an energetic, skilled professional to fill the position of Executive Officer. Responsibilities include assessment of membership & community needs, implementation of long-term planning, budget preparation, personnel recruitment & supervision, and all aspects of community relations including preparation of promotional materials and maintaining liaison with the news media. The successful candidate will have outstanding communication and computer skills. Please send resume with salary history and requirements to: Central Jersey Chamber of Commerce 111 East Front St. Plainfield, NJ 07060 FAX (908) 754-5580

SENIOR STRUCTURAL ENGINEER
The New Jersey Highway Authority is seeking a Senior Structural Engineer. Responsible for planning and execution of bridge inspection program including liaison with Consultants on resulting bridge repair design contracts. Prepares schedule of design services for engineering contracts with Consultants for bridge inspection and rehabilitation. Responsible for reviewing and checking detailed plans, specifications, and estimates for bridge rehabilitating and building improvements. Minimum B.S. in Civil Engineering. Licensed as a Professional Engineer in the State of New Jersey. Minimum five (5) years experience in bridge and building related structural engineering. Excellent salary and benefits. Equal Opportunity Employer. Send resume and salary requirements to: New Jersey Highway Authority P. O. Box 5050 Woodbridge, NJ 07095-5050 Attn: Human Resources

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FIREFIGHTERS
ATTENTION RESIDENTS OF NEW JERSEY
On April 1, 1992, a Special Examination Announcement for the position of Firefighter for the City of Edison will be held by the NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL. This examination is open to the Residents of the State of New Jersey who must meet the following requirements:
• Possess a High School Diploma or High School Equivalency Certificate
• Possess a valid New Jersey Driver's license
• Be at least 18 years of age and have not reached 35 years of age as of April 1, 1992
Note: Any individual who, on August 1, 1991, or thereafter was a resident of the City of Edison and was a member in good standing for any municipality in Essex or Passaic County, as of August 1, 1991, will satisfy the age requirements for the examination.
Applications will be available on April 1, 1992 at the following:
Clifton City Hall
Edison Fire Stations
Clifton Public Libraries
and also at the New Jersey Department of Personnel Offices in Newark, at both 48 and 135 Hudson Street, Seventh Floor. All applications must be postmarked or delivered to the Department of Personnel in Trenton, prior to the closing date for filing applications on April 14, 1992.
The City of Edison is an EQUAL OPPORTUNITY Employer.

TRADES PAINTING INSTRUCTOR
National Trade Association seeks full time Painting Instructor to teach the fundamentals of the trade to young adults ages 17-22. Minimum 7 years experience in painting and wall covering. Candidate should be able to communicate trade skills in classroom and field setting for this rewarding and challenging position. Please send resume and salary history to: Home Builders Institute, 1225 Massachusetts Ave., N.W., Suite 401, Washington, D.C. 20036. NO PHONE CALLS PLEASE /EOE

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